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House Business & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee Reviews Plans for "One-Stop" Registration for New Business in Florida

New registration process will streamline set up procedure for new Florida business ventures

Tallahassee, Fla. – As part of efforts to reduce the number of hurdles business owners must clear before establishing a business in Florida, the House Business & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee reviewed plans on Wednesday by the Florida Department of Revenue that will create a one-stop registration portal for all businesses regulated by the state.

"When looking to start a business in Florida, for too long, business owners have been burdened by many duplicative registration forms that can become costly and time consuming," said House Business & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee Chairman Doug Holder (R-Sarasota). "The new 'one stop' registration process will go a long way toward improving Florida's business climate and reducing the burden the state places on businesses seeking a license."

Currently, the registration process for businesses in Florida requires registering with several state agencies to comply with the state's legal requirements. The state agencies include the Florida Departments of State, Revenue, Business and Professional Regulation, Financial Services, Management Services, Lottery and others.

The presentation from the Department of Revenue outlined the new registration process, which will enable business owners to enter their basic information one time and ensure their name, address and other information is used consistently across state agencies.

Additionally, the new registration process will help to improve overall compliance for business owners and help to level the playing field for all businesses. For the state of Florida, the "one-stop" registration process for new businesses may lead to savings by consolidating processes such as receiving payments, conducting criminal background checks and resolving complaints.

To watch a video of the presentation, please click here.